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Dear Families,

Ohio Senate Bill 288, also known as Erin's Law, requires that schools provide developmentally appropriate instruction in child sexual abuse prevention to students in grades kindergarten through sixth beginning in the 2023-2024 school year. This instruction is to occur annually. These lessons will take place in the guidance classes the first few weeks in December. In these lessons your child will learn two types of skills:

- **Touching Safety**. Students will learn about safe, unsafe, and unwanted touches and rules about touching private body parts. "Private Body Parts" will be identified as body parts that are covered by your bathing suit. They'll also learn to say no to unsafe or unwanted touches, and to tell an adult if someone breaks rules about touching private body parts.
- **Assertiveness**. These lessons will also give students a chance to practice asking an adult for help, telling an adult about an unsafe situation, and being assertive to get out of unsafe situations.

To fulfill this mandate and to help make our schools more safe and supportive, we will be using the *FIGHT CHILD ABUSE* program. This program is grade level specific and will be taught to all children in Kindergarten through 3rd grade.
If you wish to have your child opt out of these lessons, please contact Mr. Hermes at dhermes@edisonchargers.org or Ms. Mills at smills@edisonchargers.org.
Attached are websites that explain this in more detail.

https://www.erinslaw.org/

https://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Student-Supports/School-Wellness/Prevention-Education/Child-Sexual-Abuse-Dating-Violence-Sexual-Violence section: Health Education 5(d)

https://fightchildabuse.org/k-3-video/

Sincerely,

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